

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF THE)
)
APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES)
)
FOR PUTNAM COUNTY)

Case No. 67S00-0712-MS-582

ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

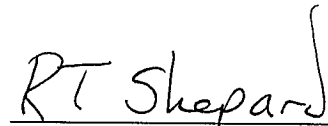
The Judges of the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, LR67-TR3-GEN-2 complies with the requirements of Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved and posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule LR67-TR3-GEN-2 for Putnam County Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective January 1, 2008. The Clerk of this Court is directed to post a copy of the amended rule on the Indiana Judicial Website. The Clerk of this Court is further directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Matthew L. Headley, Putnam Circuit Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1503; the Hon. Robert J. Lowe, Putnam Superior Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1550; and to the Clerk of the Putnam Circuit Court.

The Clerk of the Putnam Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 14th day of December, 2007.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "RT Shepard", is written over a horizontal line.

Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana

**LOCAL RULES OF PRACTICE OF
THE PUTNAM CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR COURTS**
LR67-TR3-GEN-2 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases

Circuit Court

- Civil

- ~~all matters wherein the controversy is in excess of \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount~~
- **All causes filed as a CC or a CT, and all causes filed as a PL wherein the demand is \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount**
- **50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions**
- Mental Health Commitments
- Probate
- Guardianship
- Juvenile
- Department of Child Services
- **Protective Orders if a Dissolution or Juvenile matter involving the same parties is pending**

- Criminal

- Murder
- Class A Felony
- Class B Felony
- Class C Felony, except those filed under Title 9 of the Indiana Code
- Battery of Child wherein an accompanying CHINS action is filed
- **50% of Class D Felonies**

Superior Court

- Civil

- ~~all matters wherein the controversy is filed as a PL wherein the demand is under \$10,000.00~~
- **50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions**
- Small claims

- Rent/eviction
- Protective Orders, **except where a dissolution or Juvenile matter is pending in the Putnam Circuit Court**
- Mortgage Foreclosure, Quiet Title, Boundary Line Disputes and other matters involving title to real estate
- Actions filed by Jail or Penal institution inmates
- Criminal
 - All infractions, ordinance violations, misdemeanors and **50% of Class D Felonies** (except battery of a child with an accompanying CHINS action)
 - Class C Felonies filed under Title 9

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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT
TO LOCAL RULE AND FINDING GOOD CAUSE
TO DEVIATE FROM THE SCHEDULE
FOR AMENDING LOCAL RULES**

The Judges of the courts of record in Putnam County have decided to amend their local rule on caseload allocation and request Supreme Court approval for the amendment to LR67-TR3-GEN-2 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases.

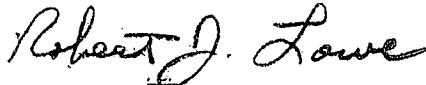
The Judges find pursuant to Trial Rule 81(D) that good cause exists to deviate from the schedule established by the Division of State Court Administration for amending local rules.

Accordingly, the Judges of record of Putnam County request approval of the amended local rule to be effective January 1, 2008.

Submitted this 8th day of November 2007.



MATTHEW L. HEADLEY
Judge, Putnam Circuit Court



ROBERT L. LOWE
Judge, Putnam Superior Court